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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to a Final Office Action, mailed January 11, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application. Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be reconsidered in a continued examination in view of the Amendments and Remarks that follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

In the Specification

In order to support the number and nature of the amendments to the claims herein, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.121(b)(3) and 37 CFR § 1.125(a) and (c), please replace the Original Specification with the *unmarked* (clean) Substitute Specification appearing in Appendix A, which *unmarked* Substitute Specification includes no new matter and is accompanied by a *marked* Substitute Specification, also including no new matter, appearing in Appendix B.